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In re Application of	:	
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Application No.: 10/600,921	:	DECISION ON PETITION
Filing Date: June 20, 2003	:	UNDER 37 CFR 1.137(b)
Attorney Docket No.: 002663/030490	:	

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b), filed September 21, 2006, to revive the above-identified application.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to reply in a timely manner to the final Office action mailed March 8, 2006, which set a shortened statutory period for reply of three (3) months. No extensions of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) were obtained. Accordingly, by operation of law, the above-identified application became abandoned on June 8, 2006.

The petition satisfies the conditions for revival pursuant to the provisions of 37 CFR 1.137(b) in that (1) the reply in the form of a Notice of Appeal; (2) the petition fee; and (3) the required statement of unintentional delay have been received. Accordingly, the reply to the final Office action mailed March 8, 2006 is accepted as having been unintentionally delayed.

This application is being referred to Technology Center AU 2856 for appropriate action, if any, on the reply in due course.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-3301.


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